

LOUDOUN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

ACTION SUMMARY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2010

6:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING

LOCATION: BOARD ROOM
Government Center
1st Floor

Commissioners Present: Robert Klancher, Chairman, Broad Run District; Kevin Ruedisueli, Vice Chairman, At Large; Erin Austin, Catoctin District; Glen Bayless, Sugarland Run District; Cliff Keirce, Dulles District; Peggy Maio, Blue Ridge District; Gigi Robinson, Leesburg District; Valdis Ronis, Potomac District.

Commissioner Absent: Helena Syska, Sterling District.

Staff Present: John Merrithew, Assistant Director of Planning; Dan Schardein, Zoning Administrator; Amy Lohr, Theresa Miller, Marilee Seigfried, Building and Development; Nancy Bryan, Recording Secretary.

II. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

1. **ZOAM 2009-0003, ZOAM 2010-0002, Amendments to Articles V, VI, and VIII of the Loudoun County Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose Of Revising the Sign Regulations**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Tony Howard, President, Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce
2. Pat Wirth, Representative, Parc City Center
3. Scott Oberlender
4. Packie Crown, NAIOP; Sign Ordinance Volunteer Working Group
5. Jeff Nein, Sign Ordinance Volunteer Working Group
6. Madeline Skinner, Owner, Philomont General Store; President, Philomont Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary
7. Russ Gestl, Sign Ordinance Volunteer Working Group
8. Brian Downie, Saul Companies
9. Lou Canonico, christopher consultants

The Planning Commission forwarded ZOAM 2009-0003, ZOAM 2010-0002, Amendments to Articles V, VI, and VIII of the Loudoun County Zoning Ordinance for the Purpose of Revising the Sign Regulations to a worksession for further discussion.
(8-0-1, Syska absent).

Items for further discussion include existing state law regarding temporary signs; more timely County enforcement of removal of temporary signs; special exception vs. minor special exception; simple amendments to existing sign plans; sidewalk sandwich tenant signs; average length of a comprehensive sign package today vs. time that will be saved; background and research regarding off-site directional signs; impact to the night sky – what is an appropriate response when Planning Commission reviews an application; does the County have statutory authority to remove signs and charge for those signs.